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FOR APHIS/USDA DR. STEINMETZ, DIRECTOR FOREIGN PROGRAM STAFF

THE FOLLOWING IS UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION OF ANNUAL REPORT SUBMITTED TO EMBASSY BY DR. NELSON MAGALLANES, HEAD OF GOU MEAT INSPECTION SERVICE: DIFFICULTIES IN THE REGULAR SUPPLY OF REACTIVE AGENTS AND PURE GASES DURING 1974, LED TO THE SUSPENSION OF THE GENERAL SAMPLE TESTING FOR RESIDUES OF ORGANIC CHLORINATED PESTICIDES IN FOOD WHICH THIS SERVICE HAS BEEN CONDUCTING. REGARDING MEAT, WE DID TEST SAMPLES FROM EXPORT SHIPMENTS FROM FRIGORIFICO TACUAREMBO TO FRIGORIFICO ARMOUR-SWIFT OF BRAZIL. FRIGORIFICO TACUAREMBO REQUESTED ANALYSES FOR RESIDUES ON FIVE DIFFERENT OCCASIONS, CORRESPONDING TO HERDS NOS 205, 210 AND 1350 FROM THE 9TH SECTION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TACUAREMBO NO 1347 FROM THE 12TH SECTION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SALTO, AND NO 1366 FROM THE 8TH SECTION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PAYSANDU, ALL OF WHICH DISCLOSED EVIDENCE OF GAMMA AND ALFA ISOMERS OF HCH AT LEVELS RANGING IN HUNDREDTHS OF PPM. TWO OTHER UNIDENTIFIED SAMPLES RECEIVED, WHICH PRESUMABLY CORRESPOND TO A SHIPMENT 'OBSERVED' DUE TO ITS HIGH RESIDUE CONTENT, DISCLOSED 0.35 PPM OF HCH IN KIDNEY FAT."

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